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A short Account of the most considerable News, Foreign and Domestick.



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From the Evening Post, Sept. 20.

Since our last arrived one Mail from France, and one from Flanders.

Stockholm, Sept. 9.

THE Swedish Prisoners lately arrived from Russia relate, That the Russian Fleet which has been cruising between Petersburg and Revel, is returned to Cronstot. Tho' the Imperial Minister Count Freytack interceded, before his Departure, for the Soldiers who pursued some Persons into his House, they have not been yet discharged from their Confinement, because no Orders have been given by his Majesty for enlarging them, another Soldier who sometime ago took off the Hat of one of the Footmen of the Dutch Resident, lies still in Prison, neither can he obtain his Liberty till a sufficient Number of the Senate meet, and come to a Resolution about that Affair.

Cambray, Sept. 15. The Marquis de Lede arrived here yesterday, and assisted at the Splendid Entertainment the Count de St. Estivan, Ambassador and Plenipotentiary of the King of Spain, gave on Account of the Conclusion of the Marriage of the Infant Don Carlos, with Mademoiselle de Beaujolois. The same Day and the next, that General conferred about important Affairs with the Count de St. Estivan, and the Marquis Beretti Landi, and this Morning about 10, set out again for Flanders, as did the Count de St. Contest for Valenciennes. 'Tis observed, that there is great Harmony between the Courts of France and Spain on the one part, and those of Vienna and Turin on the other.

This Day at Noon S. S. Stock was 88 1 qr. Bank 115 1 qr. India 128 1 qr. African 103 qrs. Royal Exchange Assurance 5. London Assurance 6. York Buildings 15 5 shs.

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From the St. James's Evening Post.

London, September 18. We hear from Chester, That a New Bible and Common Prayer Book, being bestowed upon a certain Church in that County, a Debate arose between the Parson and Church-warden, who should have the old Books; which being referred to the C--r of Chester, he its laid, determined on that important Case, that the Books were consecrated utensils, belonged to neither the Parson nor Church-warden, and therefore advised to burn them in the Vestry, and the Ashes to be repositied in an Urn near the Altar.

They write from Preston in Lancashire, That there is a vast Concourse of People there during their Guild (which is a Sort of Jubilee they hold there once in 20 Years) where all Persons of any Fashion live on free Cost; but that they are not under the least Apprehension of Danger from the Multitude: However the 3 Regiments which landed a few Days ago at Chester from Ireland, are ready at Hand to prevent any Disturbance that may possibly happen.

We hear that Dr. Wilson, Bishop of the Isle of Man, is still confined in the Castle of that Island, where he was committed sometime ago; the Occasion of which was (as is reported) that the Arch-deacon of that Island, having given the Sacrament to a Lady whom the Bishop had excommunicated, the Bishop therefore excommunicated the Arch-deacon, and ordered his Gown to be stripp'd over his Ears. The Governour insisted upon the Bishop's taking off the Excommunication, both from the Lady and the Arch-deacon, which he not complying with, was fined 50 L. and upon his refusing to pay the said Sum, was sent Prisoner to the Castle.

We hear that his Majesty sets out To-morrow for Windsor, to spend a Day or Two in the Diversions of Hunting and Shooting in the Forrest.

From the London Gazette.

Cadix, Sept. 7. N. S. The Commerce between North and West France and Spain for Linnen, is opened under certain Restrictions. One Man of War of the Dutch Squadron is arrived here, with some Sally Rovers on Board, which are to be sold here on Shore: The Admiral is cruising off the Capes. The Spanish Squadron is retired from Algiers to Alicant, having suffered much Damage in their Masts by bad Weather.

Stockholm, August the 29. The Weather is at present, and has for the last 10 Days been mostly fair and pretty warm; so that its reckoned the Rye and Wheat, is now tollerably well got in every where; which has made the Prices of most Grain fall to almost what they were, when the Prospect was fairest for a good Crompt.

From the Whitehall Evening Post.

Vienna, Sept 9. The Emperor consults frequently with Prince Eugene; concerning the present Situation of the Affairs of Europe, especially those in Hungary, where the Roman Catholicks will by no means tolerat the free Exercise of the Protestant Religion; but its thought they will ere long be obli-

bliged to submit to the Emperor's Orders, and promises in favour of those distressed People. A Mausoleum is erected in the Aulick Chapel for the Death of Princeſs Sobieski. His Imperial Maſteſty has deſerred his Journey to Bohemia till next Spring, when the Prince of Lorain will perhaps be made chief Governour of Siieſia.

Hamburg, Sept. 18. Some Letters are poſitive, That the Czar, after a very tedious Paſſage by Sea was arrived at Terky, but would continue there till his Cavalry ſhould come up, when he intended to march to the Mountains of Georgia, in order to get the Poſſeſſion of the River Doria. In the mean time, the Tartars and the Rebellious Perſians are aſſembled in great Numbers at Joilock, Schirham, and other Provinces, with Deſign to give the Ruſſians a warm Reception.

Leghorn, September 5. By a Ship juſt now arrived from Conſtantinople, 5 of the 14 Sultanas, or Men of War, which lately ſailed from the Dardanelles, continue to cruize between Tunis and Malta, and the Reſt directed their Courſe to Alexandria.

Rome, Sept. 5. The Difference between this Court and that of Turin encreaſes daily; ſo that the Pope repents of his having recognized the Duke of Savoy as King of Sardinia ſo ſuddenly, and even before the Opening of the Cambray Congreſs. 'Tis ſaid the Emperor has by his Miniſter at Florence, notified to the Great Duke of Tuſcany, that if his Royal Highneſs will chuſe ſuch a Prince to ſucceed to his Dominions after his Deceafe, as ſhall be in the Inter-eſt of the Houſe of Auſtria, his Imperial Maſteſty will aſſiſt him with all his Force, and render the Territories of Tuſcany independant on the Empire.

Hamburg, Sept. 22. They write from Archangel, that Packet Boats are getting ready there, to carry Paſſengers and Letters to England. 'Tis ſaid the Muſcovites who are landed near Abusko-v on the other Side of the Caſpian Sea, dare not proceed any further, till they be reinforced by 15000 Men, which they expect, and that the Ruſſian Souldiers and Horſes have ſuffered extreemly by the ſcorching Heat of the Seaſon.

From the Flying Poſt.

Paris, Sept. 23. On the 20th in the Afternoon, the Venetian Ambaſſadors made their public Entry. The Horſe Watch rode before to clear the Way. Then came the Houſhold and Coach of the Marſhal de Matignon, the 2 Swiſſers of the Ambaſſadors followed by 8 Gentlemen on Horſeback, 12 Pages and 40 Footmen, all in rich Liveries. Then came the King's Coach, in which rode the two Ambaſſadors, the Mareſchal de Matignon and the Maſter of the Ceremonies, and ſix of the Ambaſſadors Coaches, 2 of which were extreemly fine, cloſed the Calcade. This Day their Excellencies had publick Audience of the King. Mr. Funtain has made 5 ſtately Coaches for the King, particularly one in which his Maſteſty is to travel. Mr. Balin has made a Crown of Gold for his Maſteſty, and Mr. Rendet another of Diamonds, That called, Pitt, which was bought of an Engliſh Captain of that Name for 1800000 Livres, is to be placed in the Front, and that called the Sancy which tho' not quite ſo large is more perfect, is to be at the Top of the Crown; after the Coronation is over, the King will come back to Verſailles; from whence we ſhall expect him here in the Chriſtmaſs Holy Days, to ſtay till

till the Holy Week; when he is to return to Versailles. The 2d of January he intends to observe the Anniversary of the late King Lewis XIV. at the great Augustins, when, as great Master of the Order of the Holy Ghost, he will hold a Chapter there, and fill up the Vacancies in that Order. On the 17th the Marriage Articles were signed between the Marquis de Chateau Moran, the King's Lieutenant General and Grand Croix of the Militray Order of St. Lewis, and Mademoiselle de Caismaden, who is descended from one of the most ancient Families in Britany, and Heirels to an Estate of 25000 Livres per Annum.

London, September 18. Mr. Bingley is seized at Deal, and brought up to Town Prisoner, as we hear are two Gentleman and two Ladies who were stop't at Dover in their way to France.

London, Sept. 18. Friday last Mr. Bowen, Engraver and Print-seller, was taken into Custody of a Messenger, for publishing a Print of the Bishop of Rochester looking thro' a Grate, &c. And the next Morning Mr. Edward Ward, a Vintner, was also taken into Custody, for being the Author of the seditious Verses under the said Effigies; and Yesterday several Hawkers were seiz'd and imprisoned, for crying about the Streets seditious Papers relating to the Confinement of the Bishop of Rochester.

Mr. Waller, Lieutenant in General Maccartney's Regiment, succeeds Capt. Scrogs (who was killed by Capt. Marriot) in his Post in Colonel Byng's Company in the 3d Regiment of Guards.

It has been inserted in several News-papers of late, that the Bishop of London continues ill: 'Tis not so, for his Lordship is still at Windsor well.

We hear from Monmouth, that there has been at the Races a greater Appearance of Nobility, Gentry and Ladies, than ever was known on the like Occasion, notwithstanding the Lieutenant of the County thought not fit to honour the Town with his Presence.

From the St. James's Evening Post, Sept. 20.

A Journal of the Siege of the Fort of Montrueil.

ON the 19th the Forces design'd to invest the Fort of Montrueil, having rendezvoused upon the Mountain of Picardy, marched down upon the Plain about 3 in the Afternoon, in three Lines in Front; the 1st wheteof consisted of the first Company of Musketeers; the 2d, of a Detachment of 1000 Men, and 4 Companies of Grenadiers of the King's Regiment; and the 3d, of the 2d Company of Musketeers: A Detachment of 50 Life-guard Men torn'd a 4th Line, between the Village of Viroflee and the High-way to Paris. The Horse ranged themselves in Battalia, and the Foot was placed at different Posts along the Mountain, from Viroflee to the Arch of the Aqueduct Montrueil. As soon as the King, who could see the different Movements of these Forces, had visited all the Posts, some Grenadiers entred the Village of Great Montrueil, where they found that the Church-yard was possessed by a Detachment of 50 Men belonging to the Forces of the Fort; upon which the 2 first Companies of Grenadiers were commanded to attack that Post, which they made themselves Master of after some short Resistance: In the Skirmish the Commanding Officer and a few Soldiers were made Prisoners, and brought to the King.

On the 20th, his Majesty being at Montrueil, 600 Workmen, supported by a Detachment of 600 Men and 2 Companies of Grenadiers, under the Orders of M. de Crevecoeur, Colonel of the Foot, and Commander of the 3d Battalion of the King's Regiment, opened the Trench at 30 Yards Distance from the Fort, by 2 Branches leading to a large Parallel of 14 Yards, which surrounds the whole Front of the Attack. About a Quarter of an Hour the Besieged saw the Opening of the Trench, and accordingly sent out some Men to reconnoitre the Works; but they were repulled by the Grenadiers.

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On the 21 M. Dartigalonge, Colonel of a Regiment of Foot, and Commandet of the 3d Battalion of the King's Regiment, relieved the Trenches with 500 Soldiers, 2 Companies of Grenadiers and 500 Workmen. Three Branches were opened upon the Capitals of the Bastions of the King and Queen, and the Half-moon of Orleans, and they extended to Right and Left, to form a 2d Parallel. About 5 A-clock the Besieged made 3 Sallies at once; the 2 first, which were but 50 Men each, were easily repulsed, but the 3d, being 2 Companies of Grenadiers, advanced as far as the very Centre of the Arms, and the Besieged began to fill up the Works, when several Piquets, supported by 50 Life-guards, made them retire as far as the Cover'd Way:

[*This is to be continued.*]

From the Evening Post, Sept. 20.

Paris, Sept. 21. The Number of Mississippians who have been taxed amounts to 389; the whole Tax makes one hundred and eighty one Millions, one thousand five hundred sixty Livres.

London, Sept. 20. The Six Men of War mentioned in our last, are arrived at Cork in Ireland, where they are cruising.

WYE's Letter verbatim, September 20. 1722.

Yesterday arrived a Mail from France with the following Advices:

THE 18th Instant the King went to the Camp at the Porch Fountain, and saw the 4 Battallions of his own Regiment perform their Exercise, himself giving the Word of Command.

The 19th, the Troops designed for investing the Fort of Montrueil, marched into the Plain, where the Cavalry drew up in Order of Battle, and the Infantry was placed at different Posts along the Mountain. After the King, who stood near enough to see the different Movements of the Troops, had visited all the Posts, a Party of the Grenadiers entred the Village of Great Montrueil, where they perceived the Church-yard was already taken up by a Detachment of the Besieged, consisting of 50 Men: The 2 first Companies of Grenadiers were commanded to attack that Post, which was carried after some Resistance, and the Commanding Officer and 8 private Soldiers made Prisoners and carried before the King.

The 20th the Trenches were opened, at 150 Fathom Distance from the Fort, and the next Day 3 Branches were opened against the Point of the Bastions of the King and Queen, and the Half-moon of Orleans, and they extended the Works to the Right and Left, to form a 2d Parallel.

The Besieged made 3 Salleys at the same Time; 2 of them were soon repulsed, but the 3d advanced even to the Centre of the Place of Arms, and the Besieged began to fill up the Works; when the Piquets, supported by 50 of the Life-guard, repulsed them to the Cover'd Way.

On the 22d the Trenches were relieved, the Works perfected, and the King took a View, on Foot, of the 2d Parallel, continued there till the Sap, which he caused to be opened, was secured. His Majesty then returned to the End of the Trenches, to see the Falcines brought by the Cavalry.

There are more Particulars too long for us to insert, of the carrying on of this sham Siege; 'tis hoped we shall hear of no Damage done thereby: The King visits the Approaches daily attentively, examining the Progress, and the different Methods of attacking, and encourages the Workmen both by his Presence, and the Money which his Majesty causes to be distributed amongst them. 'Tis not yet known when the Cambray Congress will be opened; mean while 'tis said a
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good Understanding begins to encrease between the Courts of France and Spain, in so much, that 'tis thought in Process of Time they'll become as one Kingdom, joined in one Interest, by an inseparable Union. On the other Hand 'tis argued, that not only the House of Bavaria, but that of Savoy will assist the Emperor, against the Pretensions of the two first named Crowns, to the Possession of Parma and Tuscany.

According to what we mentioned in our last, there was a Meeting yesterday of great Numbers of the Chief of our City, at the King's Arms Tavern in St. Paul's Church Yard, and agreed to put in Nomination, at the approaching Election of Lord Mayor of this City for the Year ensuing, Sir Geor. Martins, and Sir Francis Forbes, in Opposition to Sir Gerard Conyers.

The Court of Directors of the South Sea Company came to a Resolution this Day, to pay off all their Dividend Warrants on their Stock at Michaelmas next, which we hear will amount to 8 or 900000 L. and To-morrow there is to be a general Court of the said Company. To-day, at a general Court of the Bank it was agreed, that the Dividend be 3 per Cent. for the last half Year, and the Court of Directors of the Royal Exchange Corporation have also come a Resolution, of dividing 5 Shillings per Share for the Half-year, to be paid at Christmases next: It seems the Company have had great Losses by the Pyrates.

This Day 2 Noblemen, who have both great Commands in the Army, were put under Arrest for a Quarrel and an intended Duel:

This Day also the General Officers waited on the King, to know his Pleasure about the several Camps.

At 4 A-clock this Morning Counsellor Laver of Gray's Inn, who attempted to escape out of the Messenger's Custody, was committed to the Tower for High Treason, under a Guard of Horse: We are informed he came lately from France.

The 6 Men of War that have been so often mentioned, are now said to be arrived at Cork in Ireland.

Edinburgh, Sept. 25. Yesternight about 11 A-clock died here James Watson, His Majesty's Printer.

EDINBURGH, Printed for Mr. William Rolland, by William Adams Junior and are to be Sold at the Printing-house in Carybber's Close, where Advertisements and Subscriptions are taken in. Those who have a-mind for the *Caledonian Mercury* may have it daily brought to their Lodgings, either in City or Suburbs, for 15 Shillings the Year; and they who call for it at said Printing-house, for 13 Shillings. 'Tis also sold at Mr. Alexander Symmer's Shop in the Parliament Close.